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House Resolution 1520

By: Representative Benfield of the 85th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life of Edna Bramlett Hawkins and expressing regret at her passing; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Edna Bramlett Hawkins may be best remembered by senior Cobb citizens for
- 4 her column in the Marietta Daily Journal which she wrote in the 1960's, touching the lives
- 5 of so many; and
- 6 WHEREAS, immensely talented, she shared with others her gift of writing as an author, poet,
- 7 teacher, and friend; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she was a prolific writer for more than 50 years, contributing to over 60
- 9 magazines and newspapers, including War Cry magazine just three months ago and Billy
- 10 Graham's Decision magazine for which she received letters from all over the world; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she was a regular contributor to the Marietta Daily Journal's Poet's Corner that
- 12 ran for many years, wrote poems aired on Marietta station WFOM, published a book of verse
- 13 entitled "Vagabond Dreams," and was appointed poet laureate of Cobb County; and
- 14 WHEREAS, she made the front page of the Marietta Daily Journal when she was selected
- 15 to be the first woman in Georgia to serve on a grand jury, later writing about this and her
- 16 other opportunities to serve on numerous jury panels; and
- 17 WHEREAS, while in her 60's she began the Marietta Travel Club with her sister, Louise
- 18 Poor, and was a tour guide for ten years, traveling to every state, Europe, Japan, the Middle
- 19 East and Mexico in addition to every major tourist attraction in the United States and Canada;
- 20 and

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1 WHEREAS, Edna Bramlett Hawkins was a true friend and devoted family member who, by

- 2 the example of her own life memorialized in her autobiography, "The Path I Did Not
- 3 Choose," made the world a better place in which to live and entrusted us with her writings
- 4 which shall remain, impacting generations to come.
- 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 6 the members of this body honor the life of 92-year-old Edna Bramlett Hawkins and express
- 7 sincere regret at the passing of this distinguished Georgian.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to her family.